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FBIS COLLECTION REQUIREMENT		STAT
SUBJECT: Law of the Sea		
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- 1. Collection should include information on each country's attitudes and plans toward the Law of the Sea Convention. Subjects to be reported are:
  - a. Each country's plans to sign and/or ratify the Convention.
  - b. Each country's plans to join with the U.S. in a reciprocating states agreement.
- 2. Collection should include information on each country's attitudes and policies regarding the following Law of the Sea-related issues:
  - a. Seabed mining activities, including
    - --activities related to both polymetallic nodules and polymetallic sulfides.
    - --national claims to mine sites on the seabed.
    - --plans to sign deep seabed mining agreements with the U.S.
  - b. New territorial claims, including
    - --new territorial sea claims.
    - --new fishing zone claims.
    - --new economic zone claims.
    - --new archipelago and continental shelf claims.
  - c. Navigational matters, including
    - --national maritime claims that would tend to restrict international navigation in territorial seas, international straits, archipelagos, and coastal fishing and economic zones.
    - --recognition of claims/violation of claims regarding fishing rights.